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Applicant : Scott E. Moore

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Art Unit : 3723

Customer No. : 27,076

Examiner : Dung V. Nguyen

Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MECHANICAL AND CHEMICAL-  
MECHANICAL PLANARIZATION OF MICROELECTRONIC SUBSTRATES

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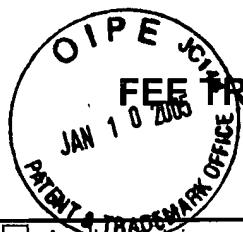
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Extra Claim Fees				
Current Claims	Prior	Extra	Fee	Fee Paid
Total <b>20</b>	- <b>20</b>	= <b>0</b>	$\times$ <b>\$ 50</b>	= <b>\$ 0</b>
Ind. <b>2</b>	- <b>3</b>	= <b>0</b>	$\times$ <b>\$ 200</b>	= <b>\$ 0</b>
Multiple Dependent Claims		$\times$	\$	= \$
<b>Subtotal (Extra Claims)</b>				<b>\$ 0</b>

**Petition Fee Under 37 CFR 1.17(f), (g), & (h)**

Enclosed is a Petition filed under 37 CFR as indicated below:

<input type="checkbox"/> Petition Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(f)	Fee \$400
§ 1.53(e) to accord a filing date.	
§ 1.57(a) to accord a filing date.	
§ 1.182 for decision on a question not provided for.	
§ 1.183 to suspend the rules.	
§ 1.378(e) for reconsideration of decision on petition refusing delayed payment of maintenance fee in expired patent.	
§ 1.174(b) to accord a filing date to an application under §1.740 for extension of patent term.	
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§ 1.12 for access to an assignment record.	
§ 1.14 for access to an application.	
§ 1.47 for filing by other than all inventors or person not the inventor.	
§ 1.59 for expungement of information.	
§ 1.103(a) to suspend action in an application.	
§ 1.136(b) for review of a request for ext. of time when §1.136(a) not avail.	
§ 1.295 for review of refusal to publish a statutory invention registration.	
§ 1.296 to withdraw a req. for pub. after notice of intent to publish issued.	
§ 1.377 for review of decision refusing to accept a maintenance fee filed prior to expiration of a patent.	
§ 1.550(c) for request for ext. of time in <i>ex parte</i> reexam. proceedings.	
§ 1.956 for request for ext. of time in <i>ex parte</i> reexam. proceedings.	
§ 5.12 for expedited handling of foreign filing license.	
§ 5.15 for changing the scope of a license.	
§ 5.25 for retroactive license.	
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§ 1.19(g) to request documents in a form other than provided in this part.	
§ 1.84 for accepting color drawings or photographs.	
§ 1.91 for entry of a model or exhibit.	
§ 1.102(d) to make an application special.	
§ 1.138(c) to expressly abandon an application to avoid publication.	
§ 1.313 to withdraw an application from issue.	
§ 1.314 to defer issuance of a patent.	

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